

## Groundbreaking Held For Veterans Memorial Park

A large gathering was on hand on Tuesday, August 30, at the grounds of the National Security Insurance Company, in Elba, to view the official groundbreaking ceremony for the "Veterans Memorial Park" which will be constructed on a two-acre tract at the company's headquarters.

National Security president Jack R. Brunson told those in attendance that the plans for the memorial had been completed year earlier and that the upcoming "Alabama Reunion" had provided the spark that will turn the plan into a reality.

"This park is being established for the men and women from Coffee County who have honored their country," said Brunson. "It has been an ambition of mine for many years to construct such a memorial and I am very proud here today to reveal the plans for the memorial and take part in the beginning of its construction."

Alabama and Coffee County sent thousands of brave citizens to the armed forces during times of need and many never returned. This monument is in honor of those brave soldiers who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

Pointing out that the monument was to honor those who served in all branches of the armed service, Brunson introduced five local servicemen who represented five separate branches. Those introduced, who also took part in the groundbreaking ceremony, included James Develin - Marines; Haywood Barnes, Army; Horace Wood, Air Force; Roscoe Deal, Coast Guard and James Meredith, Navy.

The first phase of the park will feature a five-pointed star, which will symbolize the five branches of service, and will include a flag representing each branch of service at the points of the star. The star will be high enough to emphasize that those who served went "above and beyond the call of duty."

The five-point theme will be carried out throughout the park, with five walking lanes leading to the star, five steps leading to the elevation, five spouts at the fountain and five steps up to the adjoining plaza.

The first phase, expected to be completed for a formal dedication ceremony on November 10, 1988, will cost approximately \$40,000 and construction on the phase will begin within weeks.

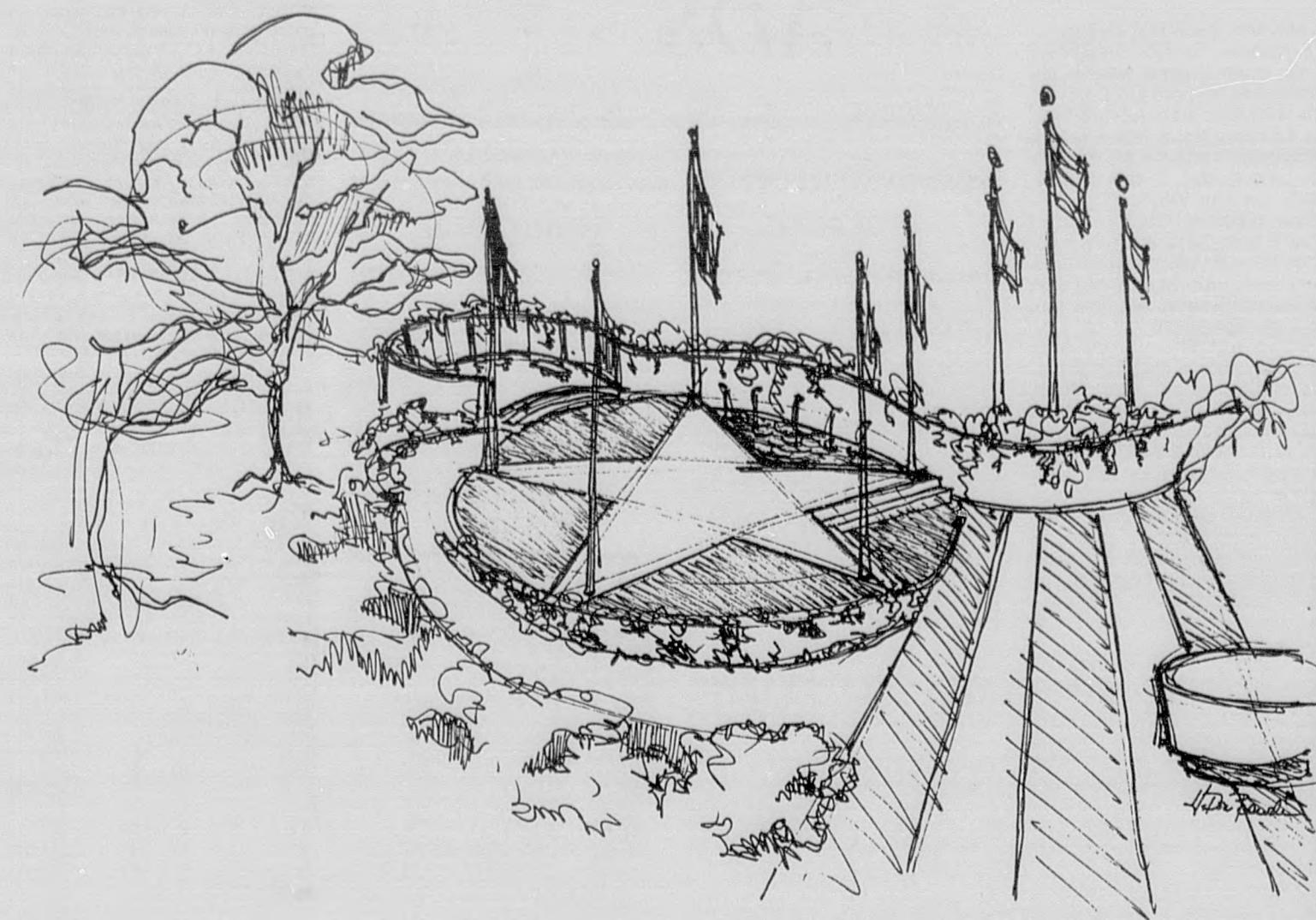
The second phase will include a memorial with the names of all Coffee County veterans who served during the wars and conflicts and there will also be a place dedicated to those who served their country in the National Guard and reserve units.

"We believe that it is no less patriotic to serve in the guard or reserve and many brave men and women were called into active duty and never returned," said Brunson. "It is also planned to honor these brave Americans."

Upon completion, the park will be open around the clock and will include an electronic eye that will trigger music and an introduction to the park.

A plaque will be placed at the base of the star. The National Security corporate flag and will include words written by Barry Brunson, the son of Mr. Jack R. Brunson.

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**BRUNSON ADDRESSES CROWD...**Jack R. Brunson, president of the National Security Insurance Company, welcomed a large gathering to the groundbreaking of the new "Veterans Memorial Park," to be located on company grounds, in Elba. The first phase of the park is expected to be completed prior to Veteran's Day and formal dedication is slated in November, 1988.

**New Brockton Native Discovers Opportunities for Future**



Debra Hardwick of New Brockton came to Enterprise State Junior College to discover her future. "I did not want to go to a four-year college not knowing what I wanted to major in," says Debra.

Debra is undecided on a major but since she likes math and science, she is considering engineering and the medical field. Meanwhile, she is attending ESJC on a scholarship. She is a member of the Tau Mu chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the national honor fraternity for two-year colleges. And, she works at Kitchen's.

"I was scared coming from such a small place," says Debra. "I was afraid I would not be able to handle a college. But so far I've realized I can handle it. College gives you a more independent way of dealing with things - you have to do things for yourself such as homework and extra credit. You have opportunities and you determine what to make of them."

Debra offers encouragement to anyone who hasn't decided what to do about college yet. "Go ahead and go to college and take the general classes. There isn't any pressure on you to figure out what you want to do right away. Then eventually you will figure out what you want to do. The main thing is to get started."

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**GROUNDBREAKING HONORS ARMED FORCES...**A representative of each branch of the United States armed forces was present to take part in groundbreaking ceremonies last week for the "Veterans Memorial Park." Taking part were (l-r) Roscoe Deal - Coast Guard; Haywood Barnes - Army; James DeVane - Marines; Jack Brunson - NSIC president; Horace Wood - Air Force and James Meredith - Navy.

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**BRAINSTORMS**

By Ferrin Cox, Publisher

**Lions Club Provides Many Eye Services**

The city elections are over and Elba will get a new mayor in October. We don't know what will happen in New Brockton where the two run-off candidates are tied in first place. We are all glad the elections are over, as we are beginning to get a little sick and tired of them. There are two mayoral candidates in Elba. We do admire the attitudes of the city council candidates. There was probably more hard work on the part of these candidates than any time in recent years, yet they have largely kept the campaign on the up-and-up and have remained friends. We had a losing candidate visit our office early Tuesday evening and both fell good about the support they had received and neither expressed any bitterness over losing . . . we probably couldn't be that big about the matter and this is another reason for us to keep our name off the ballot.

We have not harassed the Coffee County commissioners over their operations for several years, since we stopped attending their meetings on a regular basis. At that time we had almost got them stopped from a mass use of county vehicles for private purposes, such as going back and forth to work. They've been doing a great job and are probably a great deal more and more work has been allowed to use these vehicles, which is great news since else is complaining now. We still don't like this use of tax monies and those employees who have been around all these years have heard us complain before. Regardless of how little extra it may or may not cost the county, it isn't right and we still don't like it at all.

There was a "public" hearing this week at city hall concerning a recreation grant application. We put our word public in quotes because it takes a good imagination to believe the public was invited. Late Friday or maybe Monday morning the notice was posted on a city hall bulletin board and a few interested parties were told by word of mouth. Other than that, no word to anyone. This project is no doubt a good one but Pea River has been flowing for more days than we can count and it should continue to flow for a few more days, so we wonder why everything is so rushed (or hush-hush). The grant application for \$10,000 has been submitted and we find out the regulations were not followed and wants the money repaid . . . please don't ask me to help 'cause I simply don't have the \$10,000 to pay them. Maybe we can get the folks who are so gung-ho on doing this right now to sign a paper promising to cover the grant repayment if someone demands it be repaid. If the folks in Dothan are pushing this knowing it will be okay, then maybe they will guarantee the money for us.

The Coffee County Democratic Party held a gathering last Saturday in the rain. The bad weather probably turned away some people, but over a thousand faithful showed up for the event. Maybe the age-old idea of feeding the hungry was the key as it was in years past when real political rallies were held around the county. Whatever the reason, we salute the organizers of the event for a job well done.

We had just begun to have slate of relief over raising the hurricane when the news reporters started telling us of another heading this way. The bad part is that this one is considered the strongest in recorded history. We don't wish anyone bad luck, but hope this thing hits somewhere else rather than on the coast of Alabama and/or Florida. Either one of these will mean a lot of bad weather for Number 1 (me). Probably if we are going to a little prayer it would be proper to hope this thing dies in the Gulf of Mexico without causing any more damage.

The presidential elections are just around the corner and the race has turned into a real contest. At present our favorite is leading, but those things change so fast and polls are so fickle that we still don't have any idea of just who will be the next president of the U.S.

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**Lions Club Provides Many Eye Services**

Since January, 1988, the Elba Lions Club has provided eyeglasses, eye exams and surgery to local residents who could not otherwise afford treatment.

The club has been directly and indirectly involved in providing over \$1400 in services this year, and donated \$600 to Alabama Sight Conservation Association, says Dr. M.V. Miles, Lions Sight Conservation chairman.

According to Dr. Miles, Drs. Smith and Purvis provided the club with the examinations at no charge and glasses at a reduced charge.

The support of the community has been most generous," added Dr. Miles.

**Letters To Editor**

Dear Editor,  
In response to a recent article which appeared describing the former mayor of Flora, H.T. Mathis, as "soft-hearted" and "hurt."

Mathis said he was "hurt" after being impeached and removed from office having been found guilty of corruption, willful neglect of duty, insensitivity and moral turpitude.

Mathis was described as "soft-hearted" by his attorney, James Prestwood.

I wonder, if one of Mr. Prestwood's grandchildren was killed by a drunk driver who had been previously suspended from office, would he still describe him as "soft-hearted" or care whether or not he had been "hurt" for having been removed from office.

Mayor Mathis endangered the lives of innocent people through pardoning drivers and others of such charges as reckless endangerment, driving police, and assault and battery.

Mathis' impeachment and removal from office is a very good sign and serves as notice that our society is no longer willing to risk the lives of innocent citizens to accommodate the irresponsible behavior of drunk drivers.

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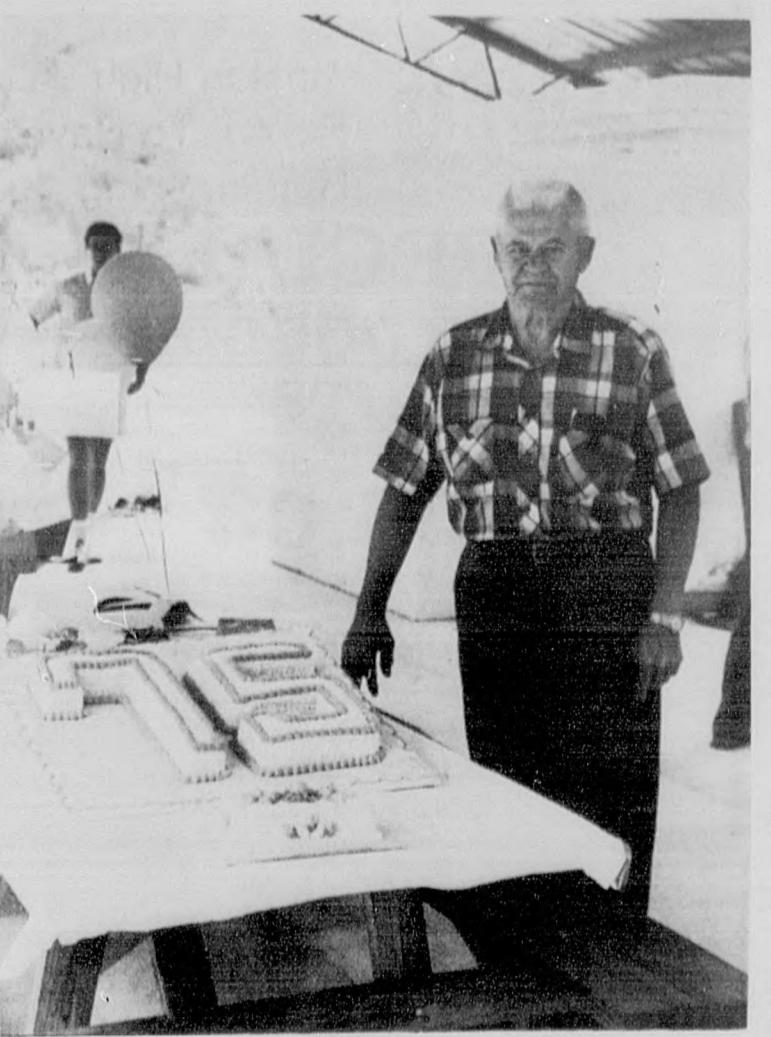
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A.C. Brunson Is Honored On  
Seventy-Fifth Birthday

Mr. A.C. (Bud) Brunson of Elba was honored with a surprise celebration of his 75th birthday on Saturday, Sept. 3, with a hamburger cookout.

His birthday was Sept. 6.

The cookout was attended by all members of his immediate family which included:

Elizabeth Brunson, A.C. (Buddy) Brunson, Sue and Keith Medders, Jim Cunningham, Winston, Dee, Lynn, David and Michael Brunson; Butch Otto; Vickie and Buddy English; Beth and Bo McKenzie; Greg Jennifer, Christopher and Allison Brunson; Marge and Nancy Brunson; and Lori White.

Brunson's birthday cake featured

the numerals "75" and was served with home-made ice cream. He also received many gifts.

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### New Arrival

KEVIN MICHAEL THOMPSON — Mrs. Gregg K. Thompson of Montgomery announces the birth of a son, Kevin Michael, on Sept. 1, 1988, weighing 7 lbs. 10 1/2 ozs.

Proud grandparents are Bill and June Thompson of Elba and Mrs. Joe Faust of Montgomery.

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## NEWS OF LOCAL INTEREST TO OUR READERS

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Members present were Mrs. Pauline Allen, Mrs. Fleetwood Carnley, Mrs. Harley Hasty, Mrs. Ed Hudson, Mrs. R.H. Lee, Mrs. Fulton Spurlin, Mrs. E.M. Warr, Mrs. Jim Williams.

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**FRIDAY NIGHT SPOTLIGHT** ... Steve Sauls is a 17-year-old senior and the son of Bo and Betty Sauls. He plays offensive tackle for the Tigers. Steve is a member of the E Club and is a member of the Boy Scouts. Tear 'em up #72! **Eliza Hill** is the son of A.C. and Margaret Hill. He is 17 and in the 12th grade. He holds the position of centerback for the Tigers. Ricky attends Rocky Head Baptist Church. Alright #32! **Chris Grantham**, #71, is a 17-year-old senior and defensive tackle for the Tigers. He is a member of the E Club, FFA and Mu Alpha Theta. Let's go Grantham! **Kevin Caldwell**, plays offensive and defensive tackle for the Tigers. He is 18 years old and in the 10th grade. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Caldwell. Kevin attends Oak Grove Baptist Church and can be seen #77! **Jeff Shiloh** is a 17-year-old senior and the daughter of Alice Thorne. She is one of the Elba varsity cheerleader captains this year. She is also a member of the E Club, Agribusiness and the football team as her favorite things about EHS. Going to Disneyworld is her most memorable time in band. After graduation Shiloh plans to attend ESJC, then travel to University of Alabama at Birmingham. **By: Jeannie Clark & Chad Tindol**



### Science Fair Being Planned At EHS

**By: Chad Smith  
8th Grade Reporter**  
The science fair will be held in grades seven through twelve with all participating in the annual Science Fair on Monday, Jan. 30, 1989. Students are urged to turn in a project.

Students' projects must be freestanding. The judges must be able to glance at the title, Purpose, Hypothesis, Procedure, Results and Conclusion.

Judges will evaluate projects on the following criteria: projects are set by the regional Science Fair:

Investigation - 30 points  
Presentation - 30 points  
Procedure - 30 points  
Results - 30 points

The first paper is due on Oct. 31,

### Junior Tigers Enjoy Burger Cookout

**By: Tamara Rose**

On Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 6 p.m. the Elba Junior High Tigers opened their annual pre-season cookout. They were served hamburgers, chips, ice cream and tea by the parents.

JV cheerleaders performed six chants and three cheers with one incorporated chant.

Nine players, Coach John Tucker and five parents participated in skits prepared

by the cheerleaders. To end this event coach Tucker introduced the football players for this year.

The Elba club was responsible for this event for the students, which they enjoyed very much.

The Tigers traveled to Luverne this past Thursday night and will play in Opp tonight. We encourage everyone to come out and support the junior high Tigers!

**By: Shiloh Allen**

sentimental student advisor

### Coleman Attends Governors School

Lee Coleman completed the Alabama Governor's School at Samford University during the 1988 session June 19-July 1.

Each participant took a major and minor course and was part of a team for recreational activities.

Besides going on field trips related to classes, the entire Alabama Governor's School went to the Alabama Symphony Pop Warner and visit the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame Museum, the Birmingham Museum of Art, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center, and Alabama Space and Rocket Center.

Faculty and guest speakers included outstanding scholars, government officials, and recognized leaders from the

private sector.

The students enjoyed sharing new ideas, attending advanced courses, and hearing Astronaut Lichtenberg from Wernher von Braun, and Director General Gordon R. Ladd.

They also relished the college environment and being with academically excellent students from all over the state of Alabama.

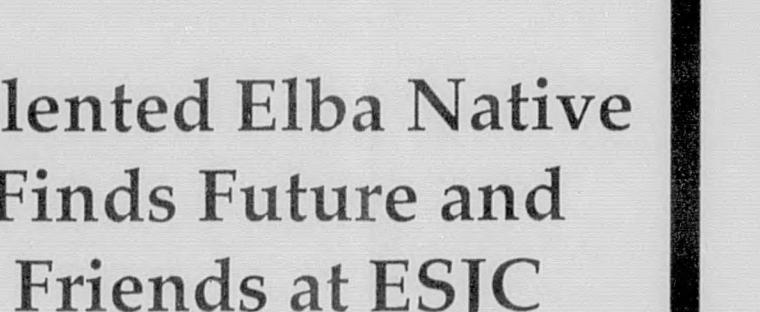
Anyone with any school news for "Tiger Tales" may see a staff member or Mr. Carnley. All school news must be turned in to Mr. Carnley by recess except Thursday. Let's try recess together for a good school page!

**Dairy Queen**  
**SEPTEMBER SPECIAL**  
Double Cheeseburger 99c



**TOP BAND CALENDAR SALESPERSONS** - The Marching Band recently held a Community Birthday Calendar sale to raise funds for the coming year, and outstanding salespersons were recognized for their hard work with monetary prizes. **Cynthia White** was first place winner and received \$50. She is in the 11th grade and this is her second year as a member of the colorguard. **Amy Halden** was 2nd place and a row of 10 others is in the competition. **Lori Johnson** was 3rd place and **Loralee Smith** was 4th place. **Loralee Smith** was 3rd place winner with an award of \$15. She is in the 8th grade, and this is her first year marching. She is a member of the clarinet section.

**By: Sharon Hilton & Chad Tindol**



**1988-89 ELBALA STAFF** ... Though it seems like an unusual time for the Elbalala, 22 senior have already begun the task of putting it together. Under the supervision and instruction of Mrs. Helen McCollough, these people are learning everything they need to know to make the 1989 Elbalala the best ever. Staff members and **Editor-in-Chief** - **Assistant Editor** - **Class Editors** - **Art Editors** - **News Editors** - **Activities Editors** - **Melissa Faye Johnson, Whitney Wise, Organizations Editors** - **Ron Rhoades, Sherry Cooper, Melanie Moore, Sports Editors** - **Chris Grantham, Matt Henderson, Classes Editors** - **Barry Bryan, Lee Coleman, Al Crowell, Lataya Knox, Krysti Owen, Rick Stellman, Tim Sullivan, Anna Smith, Jennifer Taylor, Martha Tice, Yolanda Williams**. **By: Jeannie Clark**

Bill Brucekner of Elba loves to sing. So while he is pursuing his education in marketing, he's putting his talent to work. As a member of the ESJC Singers, Bill attends Enterprise State on a performing arts scholarship.

"I like Enterprise State. It is nice to have something like ESJC this close to home to get you ready for a larger university," says Bill. "My classes have been real organized. I like all of my instructors. They are always willing to help and talk with you after class if you need it."

When Bill initially came to Enterprise State, he found new friends. "It was easy to meet people - especially in the Singers. After knowing them a week it was as if I'd known them forever."

Bill discovered other things about himself as well. "I think I have grown up a lot since I started at ESJC," says Bill. "I have learned to make more decisions on my own."

Focus on your future this fall quarter at Enterprise State Junior College. It could be the discovery of a lifetime.

Register now! Fall quarter classes begin September 19. Call 393-ESJC, 598-3438 or 1-800-874-3399 for more information.

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**SENIORS OF THE WEEK** ... **Terry Kelly** is the 18-year-old son of Louis and Mable Kelly, and he has always attended the Elba City Schools. Government is Terry's favorite subject, and his favorite teacher is Coach Kennedy. Terry lists basketball and weight-lifting as his favorite hobbies. He has one suggestion for improvement at EHS and that is to have free lunch. Because a meal has been Terry's most memorable event; he plans to attend college and major in business.

**Jeff Kell** is the son of Junior and Mildred Kelly. Jeff is 17 years old and he has always attended school in Elba. Jeff's favorite hobby is basketball. He has attended school in Elba, and he has been attending the junior prom and playing basketball for the Tigers. Jeff is a member of the E Club, Agribusiness, and the football team as his favorite things about EHS. Going to Disneyworld is his most memorable time in band. After graduation Jeff plans to attend ESJC, then travel to University of Alabama at Birmingham.

**By: Jeannie Clark & Chad Tindol**

### LISA HOLCOMB IS CHOSEN HOMECOMING QUEEN

**By: Pamela Franklin**

Lisa Holcomb was chosen by the Zion Chapel student body as the 1988-89 homecoming queen. Her court includes senior attendant Michelle McLendon, junior attendant Shelly Ogleby; sophomore attendant Wendy Chancellor; and freshman attendant Sheri Oglesby. Lisa Rena Holcomb is the daughter of Glenn and Nellie Holcomb. She is a member of the Zion Chapel Christian Society, Beta Club, Future Business Leaders of America, and the Science for Society. She is a leader for the trumpets in the Zion Chapel Rebel Marching Band. Michelle Lea McLendon is the daughter of Ronnie McLendon and the late Mary McLendon. She is a member of the Beta Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and is captain of the junior cheerleading squad. Terri Michele Ogleby is the daughter of Jerry and Margie Chancellor. She plays percussion in the Zion Chapel Rebel Marching Band. Tanya MaShae Ogleby is the daughter of Jerry and Judy Ogleby. She is captain of the junior varsity cheerleading squad.

The door decorating and parade will be held Saturday, Sept. 23, at 7:30 p.m. Students will be allowed to bring floats and decorations between break and second lunch on Friday, Sept. 22. Students should not be allowed out of class before then to help with decorations or floats.

Parade chairman Rachel Bryan devised five rules that will be followed.

The door will be open for the pep rally.

The class with the largest percentage of its membership in attendance at the pep rally will receive time out of the class of their choice for an ice cream social.

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**Views From  
THE PRESSBOX**  
By Ricky Mularz, Editor

I really like living in Elba and south Alabama; however, I don't think it's too much all the sports fans in the south just because we live so close to Atlanta. If you're a baseball fan the only team within driving range is the Atlanta Braves, without a doubt the worst team in either league, and if you're a pro football fan must suffer each and every Sunday because you can't bet the Atlanta Falcons will be on two of the three channels that carry football. I like Six Flags and I'll admit that Atlanta has a great zoo, but as far as sports goes, the Braves and Falcons are simply a headache!

**ELBA MAKES IT THREE STRAIGHT WITH MONDAY WIN**

After opening the season with two wins by a combined score of 96-0 a lot of Elba fans were wondering just how good the Tigers really were. Well, last night came Monday night in Luverne and while the Tigers may not be as good as a lot of folks had hoped, they are still a very good 3A team!

The Elba offense rolled up and down the field throughout the ballgame and rushed for almost 300-yards, but made passing mistakes and killed potential scoring drives. The Rebels had to play and turned over in perhaps its best game of the young season and Reggie Horstead showed what he knew he had as he gained over 250-yards and scored 2 touchdowns. On one run, Horstead turned the Luverne defender around twice and gained 46-yards to put the win on ice and on other runs the speedy junior displayed the talents that it takes to be a standout. The glaring need of a passing game was more evident than ever as the Tigers suffered two interceptions and missed a couple of wide open receivers, however, the season is still young and the tigers' young quarterback gains experience and will come around.

Over on defense the Tigers came through when the game was on the line and once again claimed a shutout. The defense allowed Luverne two drives the entire game and even when Luverne drove the football, the defense came up with the big play and stopped the drives that Luverne had. As Florida disposed of the Bulldogs 53-6. Many football folks over in Kinston got a little excited early after seeing how big the Bulldogs were, but the players are still mighty young and the only place you can get experience is on the field.

\*\*\*Will the Zion Chapel Rebels please stand up! I asked a Rebel fan from the crowd which team would show up for the game against Highland Home - the team that lost 54-0 to Arion or the team that blanked Samson 14-0? I guess the question was answered pretty clear as Highland Home blasted the Rebels 39-7 in a key Area game. I don't think Zion Chapel is as bad as it looked in the losses, but until it wins again, who really knows!

**A WELCOMED RETURN FOR TIDE RADIO FANS**

I listened to the first half of the Alabama-Temple game Saturday night and will admit it was great to hear John Forney back on the air as "The Voice of the Tide." Forney got the axe years back when Ray Perkins cleaned house and while the replacement wasn't that bad, it was sure good to hear Forney and his exciting voice back on the air talking about how good Alabama was playing. Sure he's biased, but he's still good!

**AT NEW BROCKTON IT'S MORE THAN JUST A TEAM**

I made it to the New Brockton-W.S. Neel game early in the second quarter and got to see quite a game as the Gamecocks rallied to down the W.S. Neel Eagles 24-14. It was a great game to see Coach Leavy Boutwell's players several years and although I had heard all about "Gamecock pride," I didn't really know just what it was all about until Friday night. The New Brockton players on the field gave it all they had on every single play, the players on the sidelines were in the game and lending moral support throughout the game and the coaches were doing their best every single minute to make sure the players were prepared for the sidelines during the game. I went into the dressing room after the game and stood back as the players and coaches celebrated the win. It's easy to be a good winner, but the impression I got from everyone involved was that the feelings

**NEW BROCKTON & BRANTLEY FLY VICTORY BANNER**

The football action last week was dampened a bit by all the rain, but the area teams all muddled through it and New Brockton and Brantley both continued their winning ways. Here's a quick look at what's been going on.

**\*\*\*NEW BROCKTON**

The Gamecocks are on their way to another big season.

The Gamecocks only dressed out 21 players for the game, compared

to over 50 for the Eagles, but the number of players on the sidelines didn't

make any difference as New Brockton claimed the win.

Brantley made it two straight wins with a 14-0 shutout over Dozier

and the Bulldogs may be better than originally thought. The Brantley de-

fense limited the speed. Tigers to less than 50-yards in total offense and

opened the game with a 4-yard drive that ate up almost nine-minutes. Not

bad for a team that's rebuilding.

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as Florida disposed of the Bulldogs 53-6. Many football folks over in

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**KINSTON VS. SAMSON**

The Bulldogs have been up and down in the early going this season,

while Samson is struggling a bit after an undefeated season in '87. This

one's a real toss up and I'll have to consult my crystal ball for help...yea,

just what I was afraid of.

**SAMSON 14 KINSTON 6**

**ZION CHAPEL VS. FLORALA**

The Rebels had high hopes after a big win over Samson, but fell back

to earth hard last week and must now be scratching their heads. If the

real Rebels show up another win is in the cards, but it's those other

guys, watch out!

**FLORALA 22 ZION CHAPEL 16**

**BROOKLYN VS. GOSHEN**

Brantley claimed its second straight win last week and the folks up in

Bullock County are getting all excited. Goshen got off to a slow start, but

the Eagles are now back on track and have to be thinking win. In what

should be a real battle.

**GOSHEN 14 BRANTLEY 12**

**OTHER PICKS:**

**ARION 50 COFFEE SPRINGS 0**

**MCKENZIE 24 CONCUL COUNTY 0**

**HIGHSTAND 24 DOZIER 8**

**FLOMONT 21 SOUTHERN NORMAL 0**

**HEADLAND 14 GENEVA COUNTY 13**

**LUVERNE 35 GENEVIA 18**

**STRAUGHN 20 RED LEVEL 6**

**ELMORE COUNTY 22 HOLLYVILLE 7**

**ASHFORD 13 REHOBOTH 12**

**DALEVILLE 22 DALE COUNTY 6**

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shared were genuine and the players and coaches were much more than just a team - they were a family that loved working together and being together.

**MORE POLISH PROGNOSTICATIONS**

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator rebounded with a good week of picking

last week and after mailing 22 of 25 predictions I am confident that a big

season is on the way. Let's see just what that ole crystal ball has to say....

**ELBA VS. OPP**

The short week of practice has got to hurt the Tigers, while getting to

watch Elba Monday night will pay dividends to the Bobcats.

This game has all the makings of an upset, but the Tigers are always hard

to handle at home and get my vote!

**ELBA 14 OPP 7**

**NEW BROCKTON VS. COTTONWOOD**

The Gamecocks are 3-0 and the Bears are 1-2, but that doesn't mean

anything when these two get together and you can bet the fur and feathers

will be flying Friday night! The Gamecocks should be favored after post-

ing three impressive wins, but Cottonwood isn't as bad as many may

think and the Bears will be hungry. In an upset....

**COTTONWOOD 16 NEW BROCKTON 4**

**KINSTON VS. SAMSON**

The Bulldogs have been up and down in the early going this season,

while Samson is struggling a bit after an undefeated season in '87. This

one's a real toss up and I'll have to consult my crystal ball for help...yea,

just what I was afraid of.

**SAMSON 14 KINSTON 6**

**ZION CHAPEL VS. FLORALA**

The Rebels had high hopes after a big win over Samson, but fell back

to earth hard last week and must now be scratching their heads. If the

real Rebels show up another win is in the cards, but it's those other

guys, watch out!

**FLORALA 22 ZION CHAPEL 16**

**BROOKLYN VS. GOSHEN**

Brantley claimed its second straight win last week and the folks up in

Bullock County are getting all excited. Goshen got off to a slow start, but

the Eagles are now back on track and have to be thinking win. In what

should be a real battle.

**GOSHEN 14 BRANTLEY 12**

**OTHER PICKS:**

**ARION 50 COFFEE SPRINGS 0**

**MCKENZIE 24 CONCUL COUNTY 0**

**HIGHSTAND 24 DOZIER 8**

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**LUVERNE 35 GENEVIA 18**

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**ELMORE COUNTY 22 DOLYVILLE 7**

**ASHFORD 13 REHOBOTH 12**

**DALEVILLE 22 DALE COUNTY 6**

**ANDALUSIA 42 EVERGREEN 0**

## Elba Tigers blank Luverne 14-0

The Elba Tigers journeyed to Luverne on Monday night for a showdown with the third ranked Luverne Tigers and combined a rock-hard defense with a solid running attack to grind out a 14-0 win.

The win was the third straight for the Tigers and improved the Tigers Area 3 record to 2-0, while Luverne slipped to 2-1 with the loss and fell to 0-1 in Area 3 play.

Elba received the opening kick and wasted little time heading toward the Luverne goal line. The returner was Ray Horstead and Keith Henderson. A 26-yard scamper by Horstead gave the Tigers a first and 10 at the Luverne 32-yardline, but the drive bogged down and came to an end when a Luverne defender intercepted a Kevin Matthews pass.

The Tigers' turnover problems continued as a fumbled punt gave the ball back to Luverne at the Elba 41, but the defense allowed Luverne to keep the ball for only one play as Brian Free lowered the boom on a Luverne defender and David Rowe recovered the loose ball at the Tigress 20-yardline.

The Tigers crossed midfield following the fumble recovery and appeared headed for a score, only to see the turnover bug bite again as on first down a 22-yard pass by David Rowe was intercepted by a Luverne defender.

Luverne did mount a drive late in the half and collected two first downs on their way to a first and 10 at the Tiger 41-yardline, but the Tiger defense again rose to the threat and stopped Luverne on a fourth and 1 when Brian Free and Larry Dixon combined to strip the Luverne quarterback.

Elba outgained Luverne 134-yards to only 54 during the first half of play, but committed four turnovers and the teams went to the half with the score knotted at 0-0. The Area rivals swapped yards to open the second half and with 6:40 left in the third quarter Elba put the ball in play at its 48-yardline.

With the Elba fans on their feet cheering on the Tigers to put points on the scoreboard, the Tigers did just that, as they drove 52-yards in 5 plays to score the first points of the game!

The drive got off to an ominous start as Kevin Matthews was sacked for an 8-yard loss. The defense then forced a fumble and the ball was then pitched to Reggie Horstead and the elusive junior tailback ripped off runs of 22, 7, 9 and 22-yards, with the final 22-yard going for the touchdown. The extra-point attempt was partially blocked, but a 422-left in the end zone by the Tigers was recovered by Anthony Brooks for the Tigers.

Luverne moved to a first down at the Elba 16-yardline and appeared ready to possibly take the lead; however, Elba's Wade Hart broke through on a second down play to squash the Luverne quarterback and when the ball popped loose Anthony Brooks recovered for the Tigers to kill the threat!

A Luverne runner goes flying after being hit by Elba's Keith Henderson (23). Henderson and his teammates on defense claimed their third straight shutout of the young season with the 14-0 win.

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## Gamecocks rip W.S. Neal 14-8

By: Greg Brunson  
The New Brockton Gamecocks survived a sloppy first half, which included three lost fumbles and two errant field attempts, in posting a big 14-8 come-from-behind victory over the W.S. Neal Eagles.

As the game began, New Brockton was unable to gain yardage on their first possession. On fourth down, the ball was turned over to Matt Rodgers. Rodgers recovered in the end zone, giving W.S. Neal a 2-0 lead with 9:38 left in the first quarter.

Neither team was able to threaten in the first quarter, with the only turnover being a Matt Godbult fumble recovery for W.S. Neal.

The Eagles took control of the field position early in the second quarter as they took over on the New Brockton 25 following a mishandled snap on a punt attempt.

W.S. Neal's only one first down from the Gamecock defense stiffened. Jeff Miller booted a 32-yard field goal with 8:04 remaining in the first half to extend the Eagles' lead to 5-0.

The next three possessions all ended in fumbles, with Johnny Swain and Keith Godbult recovering for the Eagles and Qin Burrows getting the lone Gamecock recovery.

Jeff Miller drilled a 40-yard field goal with only 1:18 to go in the half to stretch the Eagles' lead to 8-0.

The Gamecocks bounced back quickly as Louis Page returned the ensuing kickoff for 87 yards and a touchdown! Page went up the middle of the field, cut to the right side and outraced the defenders to the endzone. Matt Rodgers passed to Matt Kellum for the two-point conversion, knotting the score at 8-8 with 1:04 to play in the second quarter.

On their first possession of the second half, New Brockton wasted little time taking the lead. The plays, with Louis Page going the last 55 yards on a beautiful counterplay. William Moguet's extra point attempt sailed wide left, leaving the score - New Brockton 14 - W.S. Neal 8, with 8:16 to go in the third quarter.

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ell recovered a Reggie Benjamin fumble at the Neal 35-yard line on the very next snap. But again on the first snap, the ball was turned over to Anthony Bradley after a Matt Rodgers pass at the Eagles' 30-yard line.

On fourth down, Shannon Clark rushed quarterback Greg Lowery and Louis Page hit the intended receiver as the Gamecocks took over on downs with 1:08 remaining in the game.

New Brockton ran two plays to run out the clock, finishing the exciting 14-8 victory.

The bulk of the Gamecock offense was supplied by Louis Page with 93 yards on 14 carries and one kick-return for 87 yards, and two

touchdowns.

New Brockton will be at home again this Friday night as they do battle with the Cottonwood Bears. Game time is 7:30. Come on out!

N.B. W.S. Neal

2	First Downs	12
27/117	Rushes/Yds.	33/78
0	Passes/Comp.	10/10
17	Total Yds.	188
20/1	Passes/Comp/Int.	31/13/0
98	Return Yds.	89
3	Fumbles Lost	2
27	Penalty Yds.	50
3/39.7	Punts/Ave.	36.3

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BULLDOGS TALK IT OVER...Kinston's Coach Trent Taylor talks with Bulldog players during a time-out in last week's 25-6 loss to Florala. The loss dropped the Bulldogs' record to 1-2 for the young season with a trip to Samson coming up this week.

## Florala surprises Kinston 25-6

It was a good night to be a frog! The Kinston Bulldogs and Florala Wildcats tangled Friday night in the mud.

Kinston's Joe Martin recovered a Florala fumble at the Bulldog 43-yardline midway through the second quarter and the Bulldog offense again failed to find the endzone, goal-line only to be stopped short on a fake punt on fourth down.

It appeared as though the half would end without any scoring; however Florala caught the Bulldog defense napping with less than a minute left in the half and got on the scoreboard when Mike Gardner hit a 27-yard field goal to give the Bulldogs a 25-6 lead at the half. Florala was on top 8-0.

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The drive took 11 plays and was clinched when Chad Keith scored on a 6-yard scamper. A two-point try failed, but with 6:31 left in the game there was still hope as Kinston had cut the Wildcat lead to 18-6.

A 25-yard touchdown pass from Gardner to Torance Lewis closed out the scoring for the night and

midst of a driving rainstorm and after sloshing through puddles for four quarters it was the Wildcats who claimed the win, 25-6, at Kinston.

Kinston's Corky Matthews (11) reaches for a pass during the Bulldogs' recent win over Wicksburg. Kinston saw its record dip to 1-2 last week as the Bulldogs fell to the Florala Wildcats 25-6.

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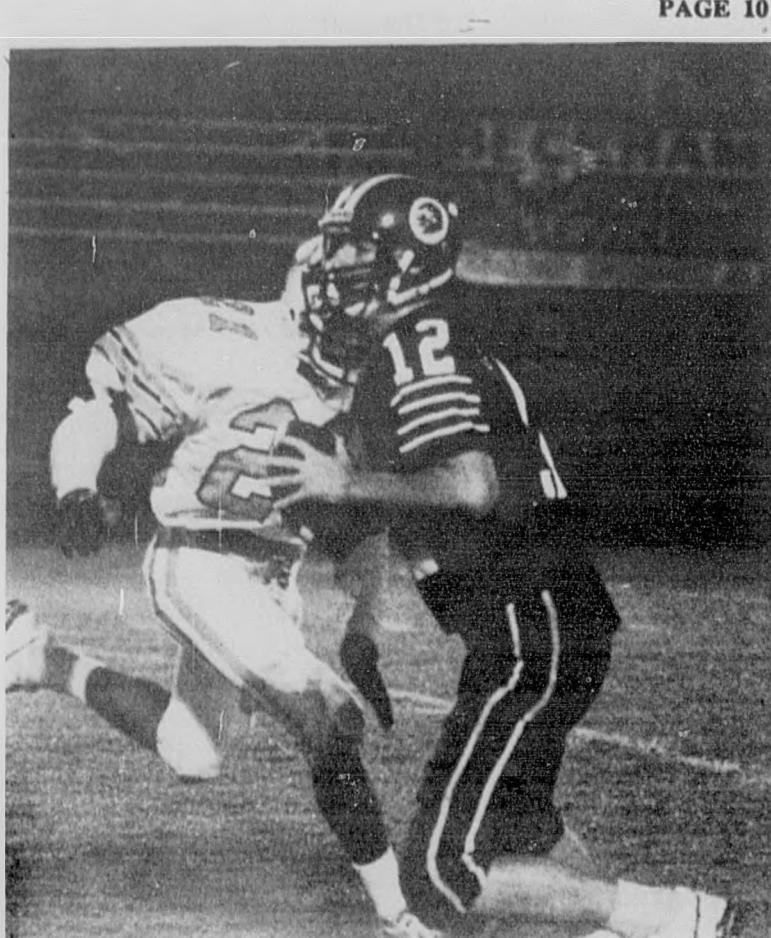
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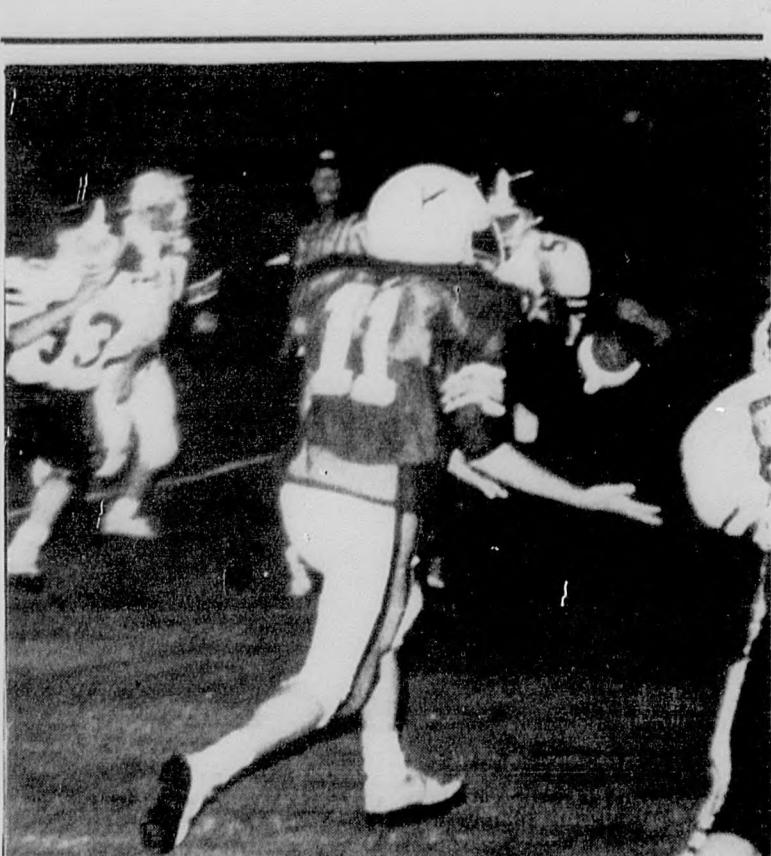
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New Brockton quarterback Matt Rodgers (12) ignores a pass rush as he looks downfield in the Gamecocks' 14-8 win last week over W.S. Neal. The win upped New Brockton's record to 3-0 on the season.



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## That Old School Breeze Has Blown Again

By: Faye Brown  
Mountain View, AL

I guess this morning I forgot my best friend's name, tonight the gentle breeze and the Katydids' song awakened memories of one, two, three...even four decades past. Being gushingly sentimental, my most favorite memories seem always to be increased by a glimpse of nature, a distant sound, a whiff of a fragrance, or a certain aromatic condition.

Walking alone in today's lengthening shadows, it was the cool draft of air that turned the leaves upside down, the geese were flying away, then forward, to elicit smiles and tears. The after-min wind played unfairly, triggering my September memories before August was off the stage.

But there it was--just one drift of the "memory breeze" and I was running from school bus to a girl in pigtails who wanted to play. We played and yet strangely remained in the late evening air by the loomng trees and Mama.

Next, the same wind swept me between dorm and library, mixing excitement over my life's fresh roll of the school bus to bear three homeward were the coolness of the day settled like a wedge blocking them out.

Then I was a mother, waiting for the school bus to bear three homeward were the coolness of the day settled like a wedge blocking them out.

Then I was a school breeze swept in early this year. As I pulled my shirt closer and walked faster this afternoon my son's words kept telling, "You've had your last year in PTA, Mama Dear". Nearing home my memory tripped expanded to a conversation with my mother many years ago when I embarked on first grade.

"It is really true," my sister-with-two-babies-in-tow had inquired, "that having the last one enter first grade leaves a mother depressed". I recall responding laughingly, "This leaves me everything but depressed--I'm ecstatic!"

But now the tables had turned. Could the years have passed that quickly? Could time have flown so swiftly? Panic swept over me--"I must somehow stop the ruthless wind."

Rushing inside to escape him, he just blew past me. He rustled the Back-to-School Sale papers lying on the table. He disturbed my impulsive, automatic list-wide-ruled tables, big pencils, crayolas, a new lunch kit, Elmer's glue and scissors.

Facing reality I reached out and crushed the list. The Back-to-School Sale papers, unused, their ink smeared only with my tears, I folded for the trash. I stood shivering in the stillness; that "school breeze" seemed chillier than I'd ever recalled.

Faye Brown's book, Pot Luckker, Putley Bones, and Pea Vine, May, may be purchased through The Elba Clipper.

## LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

CIVIL ACTION NO. CV 88-53

HARREL E. SMITH, Plaintiff v.

HOWARD H. SMITH, HERMAN G. SMITH, HAYES E. SMITH, MARY SUE HUNKO, MARTHA J. SIMMONS, ROBERT M. SMITH, KENNETH W. SMITH, DONALD L. SMITH, and DANNY SMITH, Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

In accordance with a Decree of the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Division entered in the above styled cause, sale by auction will be held on the 9th day of September, 1988, the undersigned, Jim Ellis, as Clerk of said Court, will proceed to sell at public outcry for the highest bidder the real property located in the County of Coffee, State of Alabama, to-wit:

The house and lot in the Town of Kinston, Alabama, being known as 1001 1/2 Main Street, Kinston, Alabama, particularly described as Lots 9 and 10, Block C, according to plat of the Town of Kinston, later Pink, and now known as the City of Kinston, Alabama.

The property described hereinabove is the same property hereinafter referred to by Foy D. Fuller and wife, Evelyn S. Fuller, and M.B. and M.L. Parker, as recorded by Warranty Deed dated January, 1959, recorded in Deed Book 30-A at Page 513 in the Probate Office of Coffee County, Alabama, at present owned by Fred Qualles, age 8, and Wade Parker, age 8, "loves to fish," and recently landed this 5-lb. bass and a 10-lb. "black fish" all by himself."

He caught the "big ones" at Nolin Park with a reel.

Wade is the son of Mozelle Parker of Victoria and Jackie Parker, Enterprise.

DATED THIS 13th day of September, 1988.

RECORDED THIS 13th day of September, 1988, at the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama.

JIM ELLIS

Circuit Clerk

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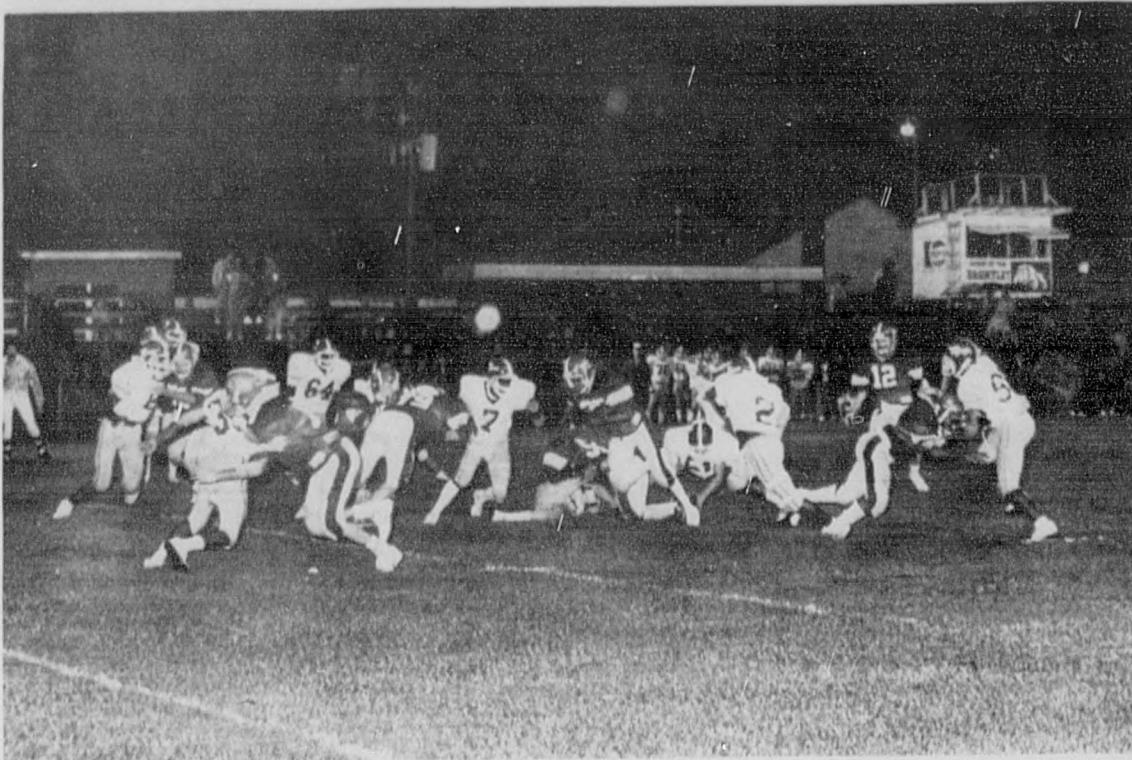
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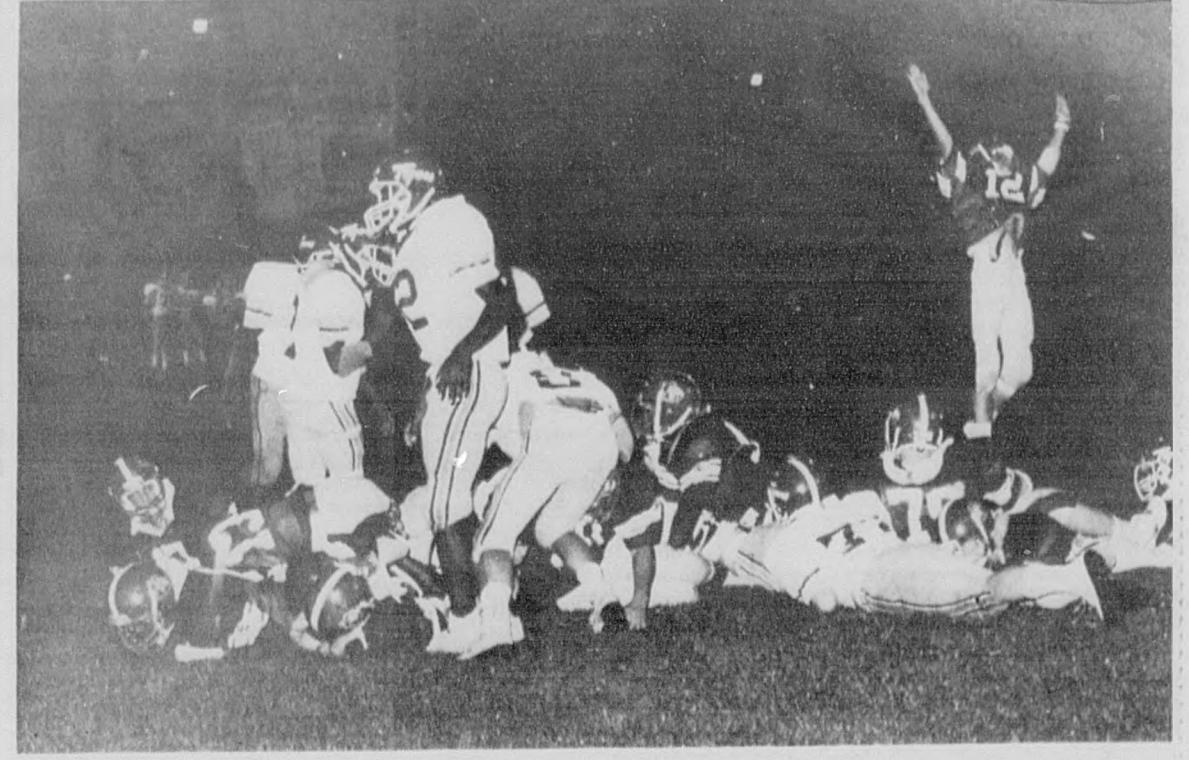
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Brantley's Ken Benton (35) breaks through a gaping hole in the Dozier defense during the Bulldogs' 14-0 win over the Tigers. Benton gained over 100-yards in leading the Bulldogs to the wet win.



BULLDOG TOUCHDOWN! Brantley's Andy Kimbro (13) plunges over the goal line during the Bulldogs' big win over arch rival Dozier. The Bulldogs upped their record to 2-1 with the win and this week battle Goshen in a key contest.

## Brantley Bulldogs score early & hold on to bite Dozier 14-0

BY BILLY W. WILLIAMSON

The Brantley Bulldogs scored the first two times they got their hands on the ball and then turned things over to the defense Friday night as

the Bulldogs blanked the Dozier Tigers 14-0 at Brantley.

The win was the second straight for the resurgent Bulldogs and upped their record to 2-1, while

Dozier slipped to 0-3 with the loss.

Brantley received the opening kickoff in a steady rain and paid no attention to the wet field as it marched 71-yards in 15 plays to a one-yard plunge. The extra-point attempt failed wide to the right; however, with only 3:50 left in the quarter, the Bulldogs were ahead to stay with a 6-0 lead.

Dozier couldn't move against the aggressive Bulldog defense and was forced into a fourth down and 13 situation and on the punt attempt Brantley's Paul Cook got enough to bring it back and Andy Kimbro recovered to put the Bulldogs right back in business at the Dozier 7-yardline!

Ken Benton gained 40 yards during the march and teammate Andy Kimbro added 18, and it was Kimbro who crossed the goal line on a one-yard plunge. The extra-point attempt sailed wide to the right; however, with only 3:50 left in the quarter, the Bulldogs were ahead to stay with a 6-0 lead.

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Ken Benton got the ball to the three and on the next play Andy Kimbro batted over for his second touch down of the game. Benton ran for the two-point try and with 11:36 left in the half the Bulldogs were in command with a 14-0 advantage.

Dozier received the ensuing kick and wasted little time in heading for the Bulldog endzone. A 26-yard reception by Andy Kimbro added 20 yards to the drive and following a 33-yard run by Jones later in the march the Tigers had the ball first down and ten at the Brantley 5-yardline. The Tigers got as close as the 3-yardline, but the Bulldogs refused to allow the Tigers to get any closer and on a 6-yard down play Jones was hit for a 6-yard loss, killing the threat!

Dozier had another chance to get on the scoreboard late in the half after a short Brantley punt and the Tigers got as close as the Bulldog 12-yardline; however, time ran out with the Tigers on the 11-yardline and at the half Brantley went in with a 14-0 lead.

B 9 1st Downs 5  
144 Rushing Yds. 41  
0 Passing Yds. 1  
44 Total Defense 42  
0-10 Passes 1-6-1  
1/0 Fumbles/Lost 1/1  
65 Penalty Yds.

To make the final Highland Home 39-7, Stacey Faison gained 135 yards on the ground to pace the Zion Chapel offense and also shined on defense with 8 tackles and 2 sacks. Other defensive standouts included Jamie Hurd with 6 stops and 4 assists and Freddie Culver with 4 stops and 4 assists.

Highland Home almost pulled even in the fourth quarter as the ensuing kick all the way to the Zion Chapel 20-yardline, but the Flying Squadron simply couldn't find the handle on the ball and gave it back three plays later on another fumble, this one coming at the Rebel 11-yardline.

The Rebels got hold of the slippery ball this time, however, and gave it back on a fumble one play later, setting Highland Home up at the Rebel 16-yardline. Three plays later the Squadron was on the scoreboard and after the p.a. failed the Zion Chapel lead was down to 7-6 with 1:27 still left in a wild first quarter.

The Zion Chapel offense began its most impressive drive of the season following the ensuing kick-off and marched 68-yards in 11 plays to take a 14-6 lead at the end-of-the-quarter. The drive was highlighted by the running of Stacey Faison and the passing of Jeffery Flowers and reached the Highland Home 7-yardline, but the Rebels couldn't find the endzone and were stopped on fourth down as they again were turned away at the 11-yardline.

Highland Home got a break of its own late in the first half when it recovered a Rebel fumble at the Zion Chapel 36-yardline and the Flying Squadron only found four plays to score, with the touchdown coming on a 4-yard pass. A two-point failed and the Rebels left in the half. Highland Home was ahead to stay at 17-7.

Highland Home drove 67-yards in 11 plays early in the third quarter to up its lead to 18-7 and on its second possession of the half marched 53-yards in nine plays to take a 26-7 lead. This time the two-point attempt was successful and with 11:55 left in the game the Squadron was in command with a 26-7 advantage.

The Rebels were forced to abandon their gameplan after falling behind by three touchdowns and watched helplessly as the Flying Squadron added a pair of late scores

A Zion Chapel receiver reaches for a pass in last week's big Area 5 loss to Highland Home. The loss dropped the Rebels' record to 1-2, 0-1 in Area action.

Zion Chapel's Freddy Culver (20) breaks away from a would-be tackler and heads upfield for a big gain in Zion Chapel's 39-7 loss to Highland Home. The loss dropped the Rebels' record to 1-2, 0-1 in Area action.



**THANKS!**  
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## Elba Mayor Bob English is cleared of charges by State Ethics Commission

The Alabama State Ethics Commission last week rejected charges filed against Elba mayor Bob English and ruled that it had found no evidence of any violations committed by the mayor.

Howard McKenzie, a member of the commission, reported on Wednesday, Sept. 14, that following a hearing before Elba city attorney Mark Vaughan, the commission found no violations.

English was under inquiry by the Ethics Commission on five issues related to his role as mayor.

Two of the charges allegedly involved paying food and coffee for city employees from his personal funds, another alleged that English had used city gas in his personal vehicle and another was related to the use of his wife's insurance business.

A fifth charge, which involved the mayor's participation in the pension plan, was dismissed.

According to published reports, the commission was presented with the responsibility of naming someone to that position immediately after they take office in October.

in the 1970's intended that the mayor be included as an employee benefit policy when it adopted the plan, but he turned the case over to the state examiner to make certain the examiner's office had any rules concerning such cases.

Mayor English, who was recent-

ly defeated in his bid for a third term, received notice from the commission in March that an inquiry would be held on the charges.

English had earlier claimed that the inquiry was politically motivated and maintained that opinion this week.



CHRIS FLOWERS is dubbed "King Rat" for Coffee County by Richard King, who originally wore the crown and who is transferring the honor to Chris. Looking on are (left) Darryl Anderson, and (right) Lanny Shephard.

## No decision yet on New Brockton mayoral deadlock

Citizens in New Brockton are still wondering this just who will become their next mayor and city officials are also puzzled as to which set of councilmen will do the actual choosing.

Incumbent James Driskell and councilman Robert Miles each received 215 votes in last week's runoff election in the city and while it has been decided that it will be up to the council to break the tie, the

present council has yet to do so and members of the council-elect have made it clear that they don't relish the chore.

During a meeting of the council this week, councilman Don Russell made a motion that Robert Miles be appointed mayor for the next four years.

Mayor James Driskell obviously objected to Russell's motion and told the councilman that all six council members had to be present and that a 24 hour notice needed to be given to insure all members would be in attendance.

Russell declared that the choosing of the new mayor should be

held at the Monday night meeting and told the council members that if they did nothing that was illegal the city attorney would throw it out.

Driskell then asked who would be eligible to vote when the council voted on the matter and stated that he had been told not to vote and would not be allowed to do so.

Miles remarked that there was no law that said a councilman couldn't vote and made it clear he would cast a vote on the matter.

A special meeting will apparently be held on Friday, Sept. 23, to choose who will serve as the mayor for the next four years.

County DA to take action to recover missing funds in Sheriff's Dept.

The Coffee County District Attorney's office filed suit last week that on Aug. 17, 1988, Sheriff Paul had requested assistance from the office concerning a shortage of funds that had been detected in the pistol license fund in the Coffee County Sheriff's Department, in the Enterprise division.

According to a press release from the office of the district attorney, the Department of Public Examiners of Public Accounts had discovered a shortage in the local fund of \$5,250 during a recent audit.

An investigation was conducted by the District Attorney's office and

last week all evidence discovered during the investigation was presented to the Coffee County Grand Jury.

The Grand Jury found insufficient evidence to bring formal charges against any individuals and made several recommendations in an effort to prevent future shortages.

Sheriff Paul stated that he had been informed that the Grand Jury and state examiners had recommended the changes made by the county.

District Attorney Joel Folmar plans to file civil action as required by law to recover the shortage.

County judges ask commission to enlarge office into judicial center

A recent budget meeting of the Coffee County Commission turned into much more when two county judges addressed the commission and requested that additional offices be added to the new District Attorney's building to be constructed in Enterprise.

Judges Gary MacAliley and Terry Butts told the commission that to include the offices would in essence create a judicial building and at the same time help solve the problem of crowding at the courthouse in Enterprise.

Construction of the new building was halted after it was discovered that a portion of the building

delinquent bills. This included two commercial accounts - one a short agenda. The only item on the printed schedule was approving the \$2602.17 and another of \$7076.16.

Board Secretary D. M. English stated he expected both to be paid before the end of the month. Six accounts on this total are listed as currently having their meters removed.

Board member Jack Prescott questioned one of these bad accounts, noting this customer had a hair meter removed while he was circuit for payment. He was told it would be checked to see if that original bill had been paid before the re-connect as board policy requires.

Bad checks totaled \$5645.76, three of which have already been turned over to the courts for collection.

Vice Chairman Mickey Murlock, presiding in the place of absent Chairman Oscar Vaughan, noted that residential electric sales were down almost \$60 thousand from last year. This also reflected a drop in power purchased but cut into the

amount of waste generated by the utility companies.

A review of the utility accounts by the board showed \$14,895.54 in

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The Coffee County Probate Office issues this reminder of tag renewals due during the month of September.

Persons whose last names begin with Q, S and T should renew their tags this month.



LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST was the scene of a devastating pre-dawn fire last Friday morning. Fire fighters got the alarm at 12:32 a.m. and ultimately fire fighters from Elba were joined by several other departments in hauling water to the blaze. It appears the fire began with an electrical flaw in the rear of the building and probably in the attic. The building suffered extensive damage with flames burning through the roof in the back half of the church.